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Majority prices in the major terminal markets were unchanged when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was mixed, but overall no better than steady. Demand following the weekend was mostly light to moderate, best for fast food and catering services. Supplies were more than sufficient with smaller sized product in the best balance. Product availability and plant schedules were affected in areas with workers' absences due to the nationwide immigration protest. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate. Dark meat items were in the best position and moving well, and breast items were sufficient. Wings were readily available to at times close for smaller sizes. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy, mostly desirable.

Final Report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 24-APR-2006 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A		COMPOSITE			
AREAS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	52.58	22
Chicago	46.00-49.00	48.17	35 :	47.86	72
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	48.44	18
Denver	74.50	74.25	14 :	74.90	15
Detroit	48.00-52.00	51.11	9 :	54.67	48
Los Angeles	75.00	72.54	67 :	66.73	168
New York	48.00-51.00	49.91	22 :	53.75	55
Philadelphia	47.50-49.00	48.09	11 :	49.17	26
Pittsburgh	47.00-50.00	48.58	12 :	57.17	59
St. Louis	47.25	46.85	20 :	49.84	36
San Francisco	75.50	74.25	32 :	76.58	66

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	05/01/06	Change/Last Wk	04/24/06	05/02/05
585	57.86	-.91	58.77	72.63

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	52.00-53.50	52.19	34
Central	43.00-54.00	50.45	71
Western	50.00-60.00	56.98	35
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	65.00-68.00	66.87	94

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 67.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,122	46.00-70.00	65.97
The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:		
	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	141.50	1,478
BREASTS - B/S	111.50	6,143
BREASTS - WHOLE	59.00	1,543
THIGH MEAT - B/S	73.50	1,212
LEG QUARTERS	18.50	9,706
WINGS	85.00	3,138

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly fair entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were at least adequate for current needs with the 3 pound and smaller sizes in the better balance. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair. The market tone was about steady. In the parts complex, breast items were adequate for current needs. Dark meat cuts were in good balance to well cleared. Wings were at least adequate.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was steady to about steady. Demand following the weekend was light to moderate, best for fast food promotions, active retail ads, and first of the month business. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to satisfy trade needs. Processing schedules were mixed with some plants down or running lighter schedules due to the immigration protest. In the parts structure, interest was fair to fairly good. Dark meat continued to move well with balanced to well cleared supplies. Breast items were sufficient, and wings were readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged. The market tone was generally steady. Trading reported at mixed levels. Offerings were at least adequate. Buying activity was fairly good overall. Retailer demand moderate to good, best where featured. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was up .56 to 51.56 with the volume reported at 27 loads down 13 percent.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Whole broiler/fryer majority prices were generally unchanged from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole fryer market tone was about steady. Offerings were fully adequate for the light trade call. Retail and food service movement covered the full range; best into fast food and catering. Floor stocks were adequate to long; sizes desirable. Parts supplies were sufficient for the light to fair trade call. The market tone was steady to firm on leg cuts, and steady to fully steady on the balance of parts.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light as offerings were limited due in part to plants being closed. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processor schedules were very light. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 48 to 65 cents. Trade sentiment was unsettled. In the parts complex, offerings of dark meat items were in the best position; with white meat items at least adequate for trade needs.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
RANGE	43-66
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was fair to moderate entering the week. Offerings of breast items were generally sufficient for current needs. Boneless skinless thigh meat and dark meat items were in good balance and clearing satisfactorily. Wings were at least adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels ranged light to moderate. The market tone was fully steady to instances firm on most dark meat cuts and boneless skinless thigh meat. The balance of items were generally steady.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	100-105	101.59	334,960
TENDERLOINS	100	97.84	84,800
BREAST - WITH RIBS	56-57	69.51	59,200
BREAST - LINE RUN	56	59.62	94,720
LEGS	32-33	34.96	77,400
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	20-21	20.52	468,988
DRUMSTICKS	22-23	27.40	190,680
THIGHS	28-29	34.10	46,800
B/S THIGHS	77-78	80.12	53,080
WINGS (WHOLE)	70-71	70.25	136,200
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.07	17,240
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	25-30	28.35	10,880
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	46.70	10,480

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	968	80.00-198.00	88-100	93.37
TENDERLOINS	359	82.00-159.00	-	95.52
BREAST - WITH RIBS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,700	14.00-21.00	17-18	17.19
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	2,033	16.00-23.00	18-20	19.42
WINGS (WHOLE)	660	71.00-96.00	71	72.93
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	1,484	15.00-26.00	21-23	22.06

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS (1,000)
	05/01	04/27	04/27	04/24	04/20
Alabama	3,344	4,007	5.36	3,824	5.24
Arkansas	(A)	5,366	5.15	5,195	5.32
Delmarva	(A)	2,268	5.70	2,279	5.74
KY-LA-TN	1,759	2,290	5.11	2,180	4.99
Mississippi	2,305	2,959	5.77	2,919	5.79
North Carolina	1,172	2,546	6.57	2,519	6.76
Texas	2,495	2,522	5.13	2,477	5.29
Total	15,648	21,958	5.49	21,393	5.55
Mon	15,648(B)			21,393(B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 01-May 2005 is estimated to be 23,411,000 down 27.07 percent from a week ago. and down 27.2 percent from a year ago. (last week 32,102,000 last year 32,166,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	564	88.00-159.00	-	99.38
TENDERLOINS	193	89.00-148.00	95-100	97.64
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	524	17.00-22.00	18-19	18.41
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	605	19.00-25.00	20	19.83
WINGS (WHOLE)	275	60.00-94.00	-	72.22
WINGS (CUT)	155	72.00-96.00	-	81.94
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR MAY 01, 2006 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
36.00 - 40.00	37.21	36.54

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS ICE-PACKED POOL

TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 01-MAY-TO 05-MAY-2006

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	85.00 - 108.00	88.00 - 95.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	49.00 - 78.00	57.00 - 61.00
LEGS	25.00 - 37.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	11.00 - 28.00	18.00 - 21.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	17.00 - 28.00	21.00 - 24.00
DRUMSTICKS	17.00 - 31.00	-
THIGHS	22.00 - 38.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	66.00 - 100.00	80.00 - 86.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 48.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 58.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	80-98
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	83.5-100.5

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP

FROZEN DUCKS

FROZEN SQUABS

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	94-98
ROASTERS 4# & UP	97-105
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-73

DUCKS

RABBITS-WHOLE

RABBITS-CUT UP

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	89-103
	DRY PACK 108-114
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 100
	DRY PACK 111-118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 88-102
	DRY PACK 102-109
DUCKS	185-190

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

APRIL 28, 2006				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.50	16.00-17.00	480,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	15.50	16.38		
15-20%				
RANGE	13.50-20.00	11.50-14.00	1,800,000	1,040,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.25	12.58		
20% OR MORE	-	14.00	40,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

APRIL 28, 2006				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	17.00-20.00	16.00	181,200	-
WTD AVERAGE	19.00	16.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	12.00-19.50	12.00-16.00	1,854,000	897,600
WTD AVERAGE	13.29	13.33		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to no better than moderate for the generally adequate to at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal to instances less than normal due to some expected work shortages by crew members. Sales of finished product was light to fair at best. The undertone was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 01-MAY-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-15	11-13	12.05
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels are unchanged to lower compared to the past week. Demand was light to moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were slow. Schedules were reduced. Trade sentiment was barely steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR
SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 01-MAY-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-15	11-13	11.91

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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